

**DRDF Concept Paper FY 2009**  
**Due Monday, October 13, 2008 by 4:00 p.m. PDT**

**Title:**

**List JPL investigators – Section(s)**

**List external partners and Affiliation(s)**

**Budget for FY 2009 (external + JPL budgets):**

(limit concept paper to one page only using no smaller than 10 point font), and a minimum of 1" margins on all sides)

**Part I Strategic Relationship (worth 50% of score)**

Describe why the relationship with the proposed external partner is of strategic value to JPL. Identify and discuss whether the proposed research 1) has a substantial probability of establishing a new leadership position for the partnership in a specified discipline, 2) leverages past/ongoing investments (of JPL and partner) in a technology or mission that is high priority to the partnership and its sponsors, 3) leverages complementary (rather than competitive) strengths of JPL and the partner (identify), 4) strengthens specific JPL missions (identify), and 6) enables likely follow-on funding (identify and describe likelihood)

**Part II: Innovation (worth 50% of score)**

Description of concept that includes: objective, approach (including major steps), description of innovation (is this a major breakthrough or an evolutionary advance), contribution of JPL investigators and external partners, significant impact on JPL's technical capabilities